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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: DeAddio et al.
Title: Object Oriented System for
Managing Complex Financial
Instruments
Filed: July 31, 1998
Ref. No.: 11021.0001

Examiner: D. Felten
Serial No.: 09/127,341

Group Art Unit: 3624

AMENDMENT

TO: Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant submits this response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2002. Applicant requests a three-month extension and pays the corresponding fee herewith. Applicant also submits the requisite fee for consideration of the further Information Disclosure Statement submitted with this response. Applicant authorizes any additional fees to be charged to Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP deposit account no. 08-3264.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph that begins on line 5 of page 43 of the specification with the following paragraph:

“For each specific type of financial event, a processor can only rely on the micro structure of that event. The action to be performed for each type of financial